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SUBJECT: NFDYS CASE - JAPANESE DEFENDANTS

REF: SEOUL 3950

1. EMERGENCY COURT-MARTIAL SPOKESMAN JUNE 22 ANNOUNCED THAT COURT-MARTIAL HAD HEARD TESTIMONY JUNE 21 INDICATING TWO JAPANESE IN NATIONAL FEDERATION OF DEMOCRATIC YOUTH AND STUDENTS (NFDYS) CASE HAD PLOTTED TOGETHER WITH KEY KOREAN DEFENDANTS TO SET UP A COMMUNIST REGIME IN THE ROK. SPOKESMAN DESCRIBED AT LENGTH TESTIMONY OF CHO CHIK-HUI, UNEMPLOYED COLLEGE AGE HALF-JAPANESE FRIEND OF NFDYS LEADER YI CHOL WHO HAD TRANSLATED FOR YI AND YU IN-TAE AT MEETING WITH TACHIKAWA AND HAYAKAWA.

2. CHO'S TESTIMONY AS REPORTED DEPICTED YI AND YU AS ADVOCATES OF COMMUNISM WHO FAVORED DEMOCRATIC FRONT TACTICS, AND PORTRAYED JAPANESE AS SYMPATHIZERS WHO OFFERED SUPPORT AND ADVICE. TACHIKAWA, WHO APPEARED THE MORE MILITANT, REPORTEDLY OFFERED TO PROVIDE ARMAMENTS, PREDICTED MASS UPRISINGS ON CHEJU AND KOJE ISLANDS, AND URGED ROK STUDENTS TO COORDINATE  
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3. JAPANESE EMBASSY OFFICER CONFIRMED THAT CHO'S TESTIMONY WAS ALONG LINES REPORTED AND THAT CHO WAS THE ONLY WITNESS CALLED JUNE 21. READING FROM JAPANESE EMBASSY MEMO OF TRIAL SESSION SOURCE SAID CHO TESTIFIED AT LENGTH ABOUT NFDYS PLANS TO FORM A "TRANSITIONAL" GOVERNMENT UNDER A "DEMOCRATIC ANTI-COMMUNIST LEADER" TO PAVE THE WAY TO COMMUNISM. CHO DID NOT NAME A CANDIDATE FOR THE ROLE, BUT ALLEGATION OF TIES BETWEEN TACHIKAWA AND KWAK TONG-UI, A KIM TAE-JUNE SUPPORTER IN JAPAN, IMPLIED THEY WERE COUNTING ON KIM TAE-JUNG.

4. ACCORDING TO MINDEF REPORTERS, NEXT TRIAL SESSION TO INCLUDE DEFENSE SUMMATION AND PROSECUTION'S DEMAND FOR PUNISHMENT IS SCHEDULED JUNE 26 AND SENTENCING IS EXPECTED JUNE 29. HOWEVER, JAPANESE EMBOFF SAID HE UNDERSTOOD JUNE 21 SESSION HAD GONE SLOWER THAN EXPECTED AND THAT DELAY OF SEVERAL DAYS IN PROSECUTION DEMAND AND SENTENCING WAS LIKELY.

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